



## **PATENT APPLICATION**

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For:

PERSONAL VERIFICATION DEVICE, CARD-TYPE INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM, AND INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM USING THE SAME

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